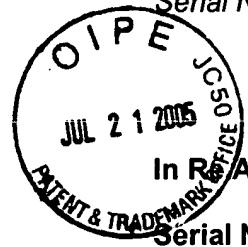


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RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on June 22, 2005, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the requirement for restriction in light of the comments herein. This response contains:

a **Listing of the Claims**, reflecting current status of the claims, beginning on page 2 of this paper; and

Remarks beginning on page 16 of this paper.